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SUBJECT: SUCCESSOR TO CANADA ON ICCS

1. TEHRAN NEWSPAPERS FOR AUGUST 12 CARRY REUTERS AND UPI ITEMS DEADLINED SAIGON PREVIOUS DAY QUOTING VIET CONG SPOKESMAN TO EFFECT THAT IRAN IS ACCEPTABLE TO VIET CONG AS SUCCESSOR TO CANADA ON ICCS. ONLY CONDITION IS THAT IRAN ACCEPT THE TWELVE -NATION ACCORD OF FEBRUARY 15 ON VIETNAM. VIET CONG SPOKESMAN COLONEL VO DONG GIANG IS QUOTED AS HAVING TOLD A NEWS CONFERENCE THAT THE PROVISIONAL REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT'S CONDITION FOR ACCEPTING IRAN TO REPLACE CANADA HAD BEEN RELAYED TO IRAN BY NORTH VIETNAMESE OFFICIALS BUT THAT NO IRANIAN REPLY HAD YET BEEN RECEIVED. IN RESPONSE TO QUESTION, GIANG SAID THAT NORTH VIETNAM ALSO DID NOT RPT NOT OBJECT TO SEATING OF IRAN ON ICCS. HE NOTED THAT IRAN AND NORTH VIETNAM HAD RECENTLY ESTABLISHED DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS.

2. SUBJECT HAS ALSO BEEN REPORTED IN SEVERAL OTHER IRANIAN PAPERS DURING LAST WEEK. SO FAR GOI HAS REFRAINED FROM ANY COMMENT.
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